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For: Sensorially Active Substances Embedded in Plastic

AMENDMENT A

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C., 20231

Sir:

In response to Examiner's Office Action dated 12/22/2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. Please delete claim 2, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.
2. Please add claims 3 - 5 as follows:
 3. A plastic compound comprising a molten polymer-based substrate further including a water-soluble compound having a disagreeable taste.
 4. The plastic compound of claim 3 in which said water-soluble compound having a disagreeable taste is denatonium benzoate.
 5. The plastic compound of Claim 4 in which said denatonium benzoate is amalgamated throughout the molten polymer-based substrate in the ratio of between 0.2 to 2.5 grams of denatonium benzoate for each 100 grams